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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) Method A method for inserting a new device in a community of devices wherein each device of the community is able to store insertion requests received from at least one new device and to forward these insertion requests to a device, chosen by a user of the community for performing at least one user action for authorizing the insertion of the new device in the community.
2. (currently amended) Method The method according to claim 1, wherein insertion requests contain a provable identity of the new device.
3. (currently amended) Method The method according to claim 2, wherein the device having received an insertion request from a new device is able to forward the provable identity of this new device to the device chosen by the user further to the receipt of a message from said chosen device.
4. (currently amended) Method The method according to claim 3, wherein the device having received an insertion request from a new device is further able to broadcast the provable identity of the chosen device to the new device.
5. (currently amended) Method A method for inserting a new device in a community of devices comprising the steps of:

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storing, by each device of the community which receives an insertion request from a new device, the insertion request in a memory of said device;

forwarding, by each device of the community which receives a request from a device chosen by a user of the community, the at least one stored insertion request to said user chosen device;

wherein said user chosen device is chosen by the user for performing at least one user action for authorizing the insertion of the new device in the community.

6. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 5, further comprising-a-step-of:

selecting, using the user interface of the user chosen device, one of the insertion requests received by the user chosen device, to authorize the device having emitted said insertion request to be inserted in the community.

7. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 6, further comprising-a-step-of:

sending, from said user chosen device, an insertion request to the new device inserted in the community to request that said user chosen device enters the new device's community.

8. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method according to claim 7, wherein said insertion request from said user chosen device is transmitted to the new device inserted in the community through the device of the community having first forwarded the insertion request from the new device to the user chosen device in case said user chosen device cannot directly communicate with the new device.

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9. (currently amended) Device A device adapted to belong to a community of networked devices, wherein said device comprises:

a first memory for storing at least one insertion request received from a new device requesting to be inserted in the community;

a network interface for sending the at least one insertion request stored in said first memory upon request from a device chosen by a user of the community for performing at least one user action for authorizing the insertion of the new device in the community;

a second memory for storing insertion requests sent by other devices of the community when said device is the user chosen device.

10. (currently amended) Device The device according to claim 9, further comprising:

a user interface allowing a user to select one of the insertion requests received by the user chosen device, to authorize the device having emitted said insertion request to be inserted in the community when said device is the user chosen device.